

# Media Release

## Yavapai County Sheriff's Office

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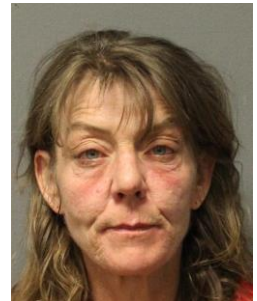
**May 19, 2015**

### ***Citizen Calls help Deputies take DUI Driver's off the Road***

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Since Friday, May 15, 2015, YCSO deputies arrested 6 individuals for separate DUI incidents around Yavapai County. Locations included the Village of Oak Creek, Cordes Lakes, Bagdad, Black Canyon City and 2 in Prescott Valley. Two of the arrests were the direct result of concerned citizens who reported DUI incidents to law enforcement and as a result, **likely prevented these individuals from harming themselves or others on our roadways.** Those arrests are highlighted below -

**Prescott Valley** – On May 16, 2015, around 5:30 PM, a YCSO deputy heard an attempt to locate message involving a reckless driver in the area of Highway 89 and Willow Creek Road, Prescott. The concerned vehicle was identified as a red Toyota Rav 4 and was later spotted by the deputy on Glassford Hill Road and Spouse Drive in Prescott Valley. The driver, identified as 49-year-old Prescott Valley resident June Pelton, was contacted and failed field sobriety tests. Deputies confirmed reckless driving actions with the original reporting party including unsafe speed and passing vehicles on the right.



Pelton

During follow-up with a drug recognition expert, Pelton admitted recent methamphetamine and OxyContin ingestion. Deputies found numerous prescription meds along with bindles containing meth and heroin in her purse. Preliminary test results confirmed illicit drug use and DUI. Pelton was booked at the Camp Verde Detention Center on charges including DUI Drug, Endangerment, Possession of Dangerous Drugs, Possession of a Narcotic Drug, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. She has since been released on a \$5,000 bond.

**Black Canyon City** - On May 16, 2015, at approximately 9:30 PM, 64-year-old Norman Abreo from Missouri, was arrested for Aggravated Driving under the Influence and booked into the Camp Verde Detention Center. He remains in-custody on a \$5,000 bond.



Abreo

A resident living on Desert Cove in Black Canyon City reported that a silver Hyundai Sedan became stuck in a ditch after making a U-turn in front of his home and it appeared the driver was intoxicated. Deputies arrived and identified Abreo as

the driver. Abreo told them he had consumed “less than a pint of Vodka” while heading to Missouri from Glendale, Arizona. Deputies could also detect the strong odor of alcohol on his breath and person. Abreo failed field sobriety tests and was arrested as indicated. He refused further tests. A search warrant was sought and approved and more than 2 hours later, breath tests by Abreo scored .19 and .18 per cent alcohol concentration – well over twice the legal limit. Additionally, Abreo had DUI priors from 2012 and 2013 and had been arrested for Super Extreme DUI by the Phoenix Police Department in March of 2015.

And finally, a sobering thought –

In 2013, 10,076 people were killed in alcohol-impaired driving crashes, accounting for nearly one-third (31%) of all traffic-related deaths in the United States. (Credit D.O.T., National Highway Traffic Safety Administration – 2014 report).

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